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Statutu apud Westm̄ in p̄liamento in festo S'ci h̄llarii anno regni  
Regis E. t'cii vicesimo q'into tento, f'cm.

In Margine  
Rotuli.

A STATUTE made at WESTMINSTER ;  
In the Parliament holden in the Feast of Saint Hilary ;  
In the TWENTY-FIFTH Year of the Reign of K. EDWARD the THIRD.

Ex magno Rot. Stat. in Turr. Lond. m. 16.

STATUTE THE FIFTH.

A U plement somonz a Westm̄, en la feste de Seint  
Hiller lan du regne n̄re Seign' le Roi Edward  
Dengleŕre vintisme quint, & de France douzisme,  
n̄re f' le Roi del assent des Prelatz, Ducs, Countes,  
Barons, & de tout la comunalte de son Roialme  
Dengleŕre, au dit plement somons, al hon' de Dieu  
& de Seinte Eglise, & en amendement de son dit Roi-  
alme, ad ordeine & establi les choses soutzescrites.

En p'mes, p'ce q̄ tresg'untz & tresout'geouses da-  
mages & grevances sont faites au poeple p les pno's  
& p'veo's des vitailles p les hosteux nre f' le Roi,  
ma dame la Roigne, & de lo' enfantz, Si est acorde  
& assentuz en le dit plement, q̄ les pno's & p'veio's  
des bledz p les ditz hosteux les pignent p mesure  
rase, selonc ceo q̄ hōme use pmy le Roialme. Et q̄  
touz bledz, feyns, litere & bestaill, & touz au's vi-  
tailles & choses quecūques, queles sont aprendre p me-  
mes les hosteux, soient p'sez a la v̄roie value, p les  
Conestables & au's bons gentz des villes ou tieles  
prises se feront, sanz ce q̄ p manaces, ou duresces  
soient les preisours chacez a mettre autre pris q̄ lour  
ŕement ne voet, & come curt cōement en les p'scheins  
marchees : et q̄ entre les Purveours et ceux des queux  
les biens ŕont prises, en la p'sence des Conestables &  
preisours, soient tailles tantost faites, saunz ceo q̄ les  
gentz des queux les biens ŕont prises soient aillours  
traitz ou t'vaillez ; & meismes les tailles ensealez des  
seals les pnours des choses issint prises, p les queles  
tailles gre soit fait as ceux des queux les choses ŕont  
issint prises : et si nul pnour ou P'veour p les ditz  
hosteux face p autre mañe, soit meintenat arestu p  
la villee ou la prise ŕra faite, et mesne a la p'scheine  
gaole, et si de ceo soit atteint, soit la fait de lui come  
de laron, si la quantite des biens le demand ; solonc  
ceo qen un estatut fait en temps meisme n̄re f' le Roi  
lan de son regne quint, & en un autre estatut fait  
en temps laiel n̄re Seign' le Roi s' tieles prises, est con-  
tenuz plus au plein : et q̄ desore soit contenuz es  
cōmissions des tieux P'veours et pnours, lentent et la  
peine contenuz en cest estatut : et q̄ nule cōmission soit  
faite forsq̄ seulement souz les g'nt ou prive sealx le  
Roi ; ne q̄ nul hōme soit tenuz de obeier a autre cōmis-  
sion nen autre mañe q̄ nest dit en avant ; et q̄ meisme  
lestatut tiegne lieu en toutz pointz de v̄s chescun  
pnour & p'veour, de chescune mañe des vittailles en  
chescune ptie du Roialme de quele condition qil soit.

Auxint p'ceo q̄ di v̄ses opinions ount este einz ces  
heures qeu cas, q'nt il avient doit estre dit treson, &  
en quel cas noun, le Roi a la requeste des Seign's & de  
la Cōe, ad fait declarissement q̄ ensuit, Cest assavoir ;

A T the Parliament summoned at Westminster in the  
Feast of St. Hilary, the Year of the Reign of our  
Lord King Edward the Third [after the Conquest,]  
of England the Five and twentieth, and of France the  
Twelfth ; our said Lord the King, by the assent of the  
Prelates, Earls, Barons, and of all the Commonalty of  
his Realm of England summoned to the Parliament, to  
the honour of God and Holy Church, and in Amend-  
ment of his said Realm, hath ordained and established  
the Things underwritten.

FIRST, Forasmuch as great and outrageous damage  
and grievance hath been done to the People by the  
Takers and Purveyors of Viŕtuals, for the Houses of  
our Sovereign Lord the King, the Queen, and their  
Children ; It is accorded and assented in the said Parlia-  
ment, That the Takers (') of Corn for the said Houses  
shall take the same by Measure striked according as it  
is used through the Land. And that such Corn, Hay,  
Litter, Bestall and all other Viŕtuals and Things, which  
shall be taken for the said Houses, shall be [taken ']  
by the very Value, by the Constable and other good  
People of the Towns where such Taking shall be made,  
without that that the Praisers by Menace or Duress  
shall be driven to set any other Price than their Oath  
will, and as commonly runneth in the next Markets.  
And that betwixt the Purveyors and them whose Goods  
shall be taken in the presence of the Constables and  
Praisers, Tallies be made incontinently, without that that  
the People whose Goods shall be taken, shall be drawn  
or travelled elsewhere, and the same Tallies sealed with  
the Seals of the Takers of the Things so taken, by  
which Tallies Gree shall be made to them whose Goods  
shall be so taken ; and if any Purveyor or Taker for  
the said Houses, do in any other Manner, he shall be  
[maintenant '] arrested by the Town where the Taking  
shall be made, and brought to the next Gaol ; and if  
he be thereof attainted, it shall be done of him as of a  
Thief, if the Quantity of the Goods the same require ;  
according as in a Statute made in the Time of our So-  
vereign Lord the King that now is, the Fifth Year of his  
Reign, and in another Statute made in the Time of the  
King's Grandfather upon such Takings, is contained  
more at the full : and that from henceforth in the  
Commissions of such Takers and Purveyors, the Intent  
and Pain limited in this Statute shall be contained :  
and that no Commission be made, but only under the  
King's great Seal or Privy Seal ; nor that no Man be  
bound to obey [any such Commissions, other or in what  
Manner '] than is aforesaid ; and that the same Statute  
take place in all Points against every Taker and Pur-  
veyor of every Manner of Viŕtual in every part of the  
Realm, of what Condition soever he be.

ITEM, Whereas divers Opinions have been before  
this Time [in what Case Treason shall be said, and in  
what not ; '] the King, at the Request of the Lords and  
of the Commons, hath made a Declaration in the Man-  
ner as hercafter followeth, that is to say ; When a Man

' and Purveyours  
' prayed  
' any other Commyssions, or in other manner MS. Tr. 2.  
' what case should be adjudged Treason, and what not ;

I.  
Corn shall  
be taken by  
Purveyors  
by Measure  
striked

Things taken  
by Purveyors  
shall be  
appraised  
at the very  
Value.

Tallies of  
the Goods  
taken.

Punishment  
for undue  
Purveyance  
as under Stat.  
5 E. III. c. 2.

Purveyors'  
Commissions  
shall be under  
the Great or  
Privy Seal.

II.  
Declaration  
what Offences  
shall be  
adjudged  
Treason.

<sup>1</sup> le grant seal le Roi, *Rot. Parl.* 25 E. 3. P. II. nu. vij. (17.)  
<sup>2</sup> Lusseburgh *Rot. Parl.* <sup>3</sup> q̄ ce estent *Rot. Parl.*  
<sup>4</sup> & *Rot. Parl.*